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Both Nominees Invited by AFL

(AFL Release)

Atlantic City.—The AFL Executive Council, in session here, voted to invite both Presidential candidates, Gov. Adlai Stevenson and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, to address the national convention when it meets in New York City, Sept. 15.

In all probability, after the candidates have spoken, the Executive Council will recommend to the convention that it endorse one or the other of the two Presidential candidates.

President Harry S. Truman also will be invited to address the convention.

If the AFL decides to endorse a Presidential candidate this will break a long tradition against such action by the federation. The only exception was 1924, when Bob La Follette was endorsed.

MUCH DISCUSSED MOVE

Officials of the league were directed to prepare factual analyses of the party platforms, of the records of both the Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees of both parties, and of their campaign speeches as given up to the time of the convention.

Considerable discussion of whether or not to break the tradition of not endorsing a Presidential candidate took place in the meeting.

George Meany, secretary-treasurer of the AFL, reported to the meeting on the political conventions held in Chicago.

Meany said that the Republicans held their meeting in a small room, with a subcommittee receiving the AFL proposals, and State Sen. Laird of Wisconsin as chairman. No comment was made on the statement by the committee, no questions were asked, and there was no discussion.

The AFL secretary-treasurer said the situation was different at the Democratic national convention. There, the AFL witnesses were heard by the full committee, William Lee, president of the Chicago Federation of Labor, was made chairman while the AFL delegates were testifying, and the platform agreed with AFL recommendations on almost every issue.

"We couldn't have written a better Taft-Hartley plank ourselves if they had let us," Meany remarked.

Some members of the LLPE administrative committee insisted that it was best to maintain the traditional AFL policy of not endorsing a Presidential candidate. Others said this would be "burying our heads in the sand."

Sand, Gravel Pact Completed

Negotiations were completed last week for a new rock, sand and gravel contract for union laborers of this area and elsewhere in Northern California, according to union officials.

If and when Wage Stabilization Board approval has been received, workers under this agreement will receive wage increase of 10 cents per hour, pro-rated vacation pay, plus an employer-paid health and welfare plan and insurance program covering them on and off the job. The agreement, when approved, will be effective as of July 16, it was reported.

Laborer Work Holds Up Well

Work for union laborers in both the Salinas and Monterey union jurisdictions was holding up well last week with prospects for continued activity, officials of Locals 272 of Salinas and 690 of Monterey reported.

The Monterey area projects were rolling well with most union members finding work plentiful but with no work for outsiders, according to the office of Business Agent George Jenkins.

In the Salinas jurisdiction, however, Business Agent Wray D. Empie reported some new work starting which was providing full employment again.

Included in the projects were the Tomblason-Huck school project at King City where 6 to 10 laborers will be employed for several months, the Harry Ecklen motel job at King City, which will take 4 or 5 laborers for a few months, and the Granite Construction Co. paving and sidewalk projects in King City, which will require 6 to 9 men for a time. In Salinas, the Goheen Construction Co. is starting more new homes in its west side tract.

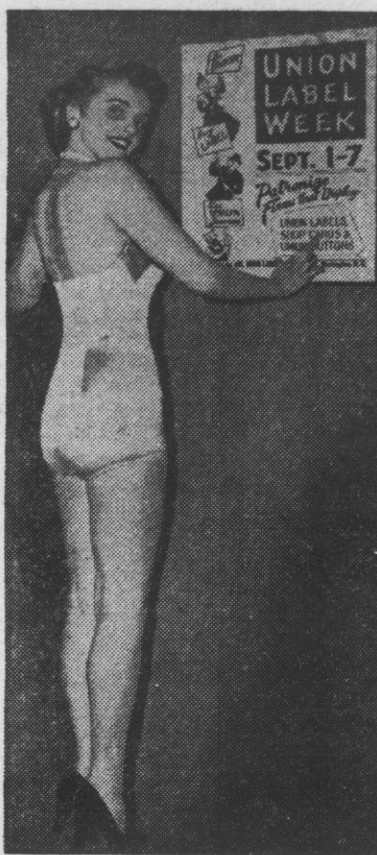
Fish Canneries Continue Idle

With fishermen not ready to set out for sardines last week and no other fish available, Monterey's Cannery Row continued in a state of inactivity, according to union officials. One small load of anchovies was worked at a plant, it was reported.

Meanwhile, officials of the AFL Fishermen's Union and the Fish Cannery Workers Union continued to take part in contract negotiations with fish processors of the industry. No announcement was made as to progress.

Mont. Bricklayers Strike Two Jobs

Strike by members of the Monterey Bricklayers Union last week-end had tied up two projects, according to officials of other unions. Details of the bricklayer strike were not reported except that there was a dispute over a new contract and wage scale. Picket lines of the bricklayers were being observed by other crafts.



LOOK AT POSTER—All eyes focus on the attractive "Union Label Week" poster pointed out here by Vel Dawn. Union Label Week is Sept. 1-7.

FARM WORKERS FILE CLAIMS FOR WIRE PAY

The Soledad Agricultural Workers Union, affiliated with the AFL National Agricultural Workers Union, has filed wage claims in behalf of a group of its members, charging illegal deductions for carrot-tying wires. The complaint was filed last week with Deputy Labor Commissioner William Walls, in San Jose.

During the present season, carrot tiers have been paying for wire used in tying bunches at the rate of 65 cents a thousand. The purchase and use of the wires, called "twistems," are made under conditions that violate the State Labor Code, union officials said. Since June 1 of this year these illegal deductions amount to over \$30,000.

Among the workers filing claims are several Mexican contract-nationals who have also petitioned the Department of Labor for repayment of "twistem" deductions, alleging this is a violation of the individual labor contract as well.

The claims filed in San Jose involve several major carrot growers and shippers as well as farm labor contractors in this area who have been observing the same practice.

Ernesto Galarza, vice-president of the union, who is advising the Soledad Local, stated that "the workers are forced to buy the wires or else they cannot work. They obtain no value whatever from the wires. Besides, the twistems are commercial advertising for the grower, yet the worker has to pay for such advertising. We intend to press this grievance which annually deprives the agricultural workers of the Salinas Valley of thousands of dollars of take home pay."

Make certain that you are properly registered to vote. Deadline is Sept. 11.

SALINAS LABOR MASS MEETING SET SATURDAY

All members of all AFL unions in the Salinas area are urged to attend a mass meeting at 1:30 p.m. this Saturday (Aug. 23) at Salinas Carpenters Hall, 422 North Main St.

Purpose of the meeting is to make plans for a Labor Day Parade in Monterey County, probably to be held in Monterey this year with all unions in the county participating.

Members of AFL unions in the Monterey area are invited to attend the Salinas meeting also to coordinate plans for the activity.

The Central Labor Council at Salinas called the mass meeting after it was proposed that Monterey County have its own local Labor Day celebration in some manner, as does Santa Cruz County labor each year in the form of a barbecue.

Named chairman of arrangements for the parade was Wray D. ("Bill") Empie, business agent of Salinas Laborers Union 272.

Last Labor Day parade in the county was held in Monterey in 1941.

Empie said that the parade this year will be early so that those union people wishing to participate in the Santa Cruz celebration (to which Senator John Sparkman, Democratic candidate for Vice President, has been invited as guest of honor) will have ample time to travel to Santa Cruz for the event.

Full details will be worked out at the mass meeting and representation from every union craft is expected to be at the meeting in good numbers, Empie added.

Young Salinas Carpenter Dies In Cycle Crash

Mylo Stewart Emberson, 21-year-old member of Salinas Carpenters Union 925, was killed last week when a motorcycle he was riding crashed into a tree on San Miguel Canyon Road.

Union officials said the youth was a native of Salinas and a graduate of Salinas schools. He also was a member of the 149th Tank Battalion, California National Guard.

According to authorities, young Emberson's motorcycle went out of control and left the road as he was attempting to regain control.

Survivors include two brothers, Kenneth G. and David J. Emberson; a sister, Mrs. Lynn Hollum, and others. The family home is at 148 Echo Valley Road.

Butchers 506 Salinas Meet Date Changed

Next meeting of Butchers Union 506 in the Salinas area will be at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, at Carpenters Hall, 422 N. Main St., Salinas.

The union's meeting ordinarily is the first Monday of the Month in Salinas but a change was necessitated because the September meeting would have fallen on Labor Day, according to Business Agent E. L. Courtright.

All members are urged to notice the change of day for the Salinas meeting next month.

SALINAS CARP. APPRENTICES MEET SEPT. 3

All apprentices in training under direction of Carpenters Union 925 of Salinas are called before the Joint Apprenticeship Committee on Wednesday night, Sept. 3, at the Salinas Carpenters Hall.

Union Business Agent Harvey Baldwin said the committee met last week at the hall but with poor attendance because of vacations and change of meeting place from the union hall to the high school.

To stabilize meeting schedule plans, the committee decided that all meetings in the future will be held on the first Wednesday night of each month at Carpenters Hall.

The decision to call in all apprentices for the Sept. 3 session came when it was pointed out that apprentices must bring their work experience records up to date before school starts again.

Baldwin said the apprenticeship program of the union is continuing well and all apprentices are working.

Empie, Miles At S. J. Meet

Two Salinas business agents were in San Jose last week for a special negotiations meeting on the Permanente (Kaiser) contract which covers the Moss Landing and Natividad plants in this area. Next session was set for this Thursday.

Wray D. ("Bill") Empie, of Laborers Union 272, and Dial H. Miles, of Electrical Workers Union 243, were present both for the negotiations session and for a company-labor barbecue at Alum Rock Park later the same day.

DON'T WAIT--REGISTER NOW!

1,200,000 AFL Members in California, Survey Shows

(State Fed. Release)

Union labor membership in California jumped 7 per cent between May 1950 and July 1951, and AFL membership neared the 1,200,000 mark, according to figures released last week by the Division of Labor Statistics and Research of the California Department of Industrial Relations.

There were 3218 union locals on record in the state in July, 1951, with an estimated membership of 1,443,100.

During the same month, it is estimated that 3,545,000 wage and salary workers were employed in non-agricultural establishments in California. This number includes administrative, supervisory, and technical employees.

Of the 3218 locals, 2606 were affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, 266 with the Congress of Industrial Organizations, and 346 were not affiliated with either of the two major federations.

This is the second year for which the Division of Labor Statistics

and Research has estimated the total number of union members in California.

The estimate consists, for the most part, of actual membership reports from each union local in the state. Noteworthy is the fact that the Division received reports on the Organized Labor Questionnaire in 1951 for 94 per cent of all California locals, representing approximately 98 per cent of the total membership.

Altogether, 3164 union locals were included in the first estimate of California union membership made by the Division in May, 1950. During the period from May, 1950, to July, 1951, 145 locals were newly

chartered or were added to the count through better reporting.

During the same period, 108 locals dissolved or amalgamated with other locals. Administrative reorganizations accounted for the cancellation of 44 locals.

The figure of 3218 locals in July, 1951, thus represents a net increase of 54 locals on record over the figure for May, 1950.

Asks \$50 Monthly Earnings Permit for Old Age Assistance

The possibility that Old Age Assistance and Aid to Needy Children beneficiaries may now earn up to \$50 a month without having it deducted from their monthly payments has been brought up by George McLain, chairman of the California Institute of Social Welfare, in a letter of inquiry to State Social Welfare Director Charles I. Schottland.

McLain's inquiry was based on Amendment 18 adopted by the Senate-House Conference Committee on the recently enacted Federal Social Security Act amendments which, in his opinion, "gives those on Old Age Assistance and other categorical aids the same privileges granted the blind several years ago regarding earnings."

The amendment sets July 1, 1952 as the retroactive date for the \$50 earning allowance to take effect.

Recalling that the "earnings permitted the blind under previous amendments are \$50 a month," McLain cited Section 2020.05 of the California Welfare and Institutions Code, whereby the same privileges would be granted old age assistance recipients whenever such earnings should be allowed by an act of the Federal Government.

Thus, said McLain, "I am led to assume that the privilege of earning \$50 a month by a recipient of Old Age Assistance becomes automatic and retroactive back to July 1, 1952."

Asking for an opinion from Schottland, McLain pointed out in an accompanying statement that "many pensioners, previously condemned to idleness, might now be able to earn a few badly needed extra dollars by mowing lawns, gardening, housework, sewing, or other odd jobs, without fear of being penalized for their industry."

AFL Longshoremen Ask 50c Increase to \$2.60, Doubling of Pensions

New York. (LPA)—A wage increase of 50 cents an hour, to \$2.60, was demanded by the AFL International Longshoremen's Association, together with improved benefits, for 60,000 members from Portland, Me. to Hampton Roads, Va., in negotiations which opened Aug. 7 with the New York Shipping Association. It represents 176 stevedoring and shipping companies. Negotiations opened under a reopening of the two-year contract negotiated by ILA President Jos. P. Ryan last Sept. 30 which precipitated a 25-day strike by locals which protested the agreement.

Answering claims of the shippers that the demands "are entirely unreasonable" and that everything except wages is outside the scope of the contract reopening, Ryan said the employers were told the union believed it could prove that the demands were reasonable and in line with present conditions. Ryan described the meeting of the 133-man Atlantic Coast District Wage Committee, which formulated the demands, as "harmonious," and referring to differences between union factions following the strike, said, "all personalities and the past were forgotten in the interest of the membership."

UNION SHOP

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following are excerpts from a recent article by Andrew C. Boss, S.J., of University of San Francisco, which appeared in the USF Labor-Management bulletin PANEL, printed here at request of the Labor Council, local unions and union officials.)

The right of workers to form organizations of their own choosing is a natural right coming from the nature of man as a worker. This right is not given to the worker either by the state or by management. They can by the use of political or economic pressure prevent the worker from exercising this right, but they may not take away the right.

The worker through his organization has also the concomitant right of using all legitimate means necessary to the survival of this organization. If the worker through his union has improved his hours of work, wages, working conditions and security, then he has the right to use all justifiable means to protect the gains that he has made.

Management has always assumed that it had the sole right to hire and fire, promote and lay-off, suspend and discipline the worker. These functions of management have been invaded by the union under the claim that it is protecting the rights of the workers.

In a fluid and dynamic field like the developing relationships between unions and management there will necessarily arise a conflict of rights. Since much of our thinking is influenced by an uncritical acceptance of past practices and doctrines, it always comes as a shock when old shibboleths are challenged by new doctrines and changing circumstances.

Many functions of management are curtailed in a variety of ways by the union shop. Under the union shop, as defined in the Taft-Hartley Law, the employer is free to hire both union and non-union men, but all must belong to the union within 30 days after the first day of employment, if it is so negotiated.

There is no doubt that this form of union security has prevented management from exercising sole jurisdiction over the hiring and firing process. Likewise, it is clear that workers are compelled to join the union, but the nature of this compulsion must be examined.

Let it be admitted that there is some compulsion involved in the union shop. Let it also be admitted that a union has not the sovereignty of government to compel certain actions or to hold certain rights of individuals in abeyance in order to serve the common good. However, in the economic sphere if the workers have decided that a certain union is to represent them and to protect their rights then that union has the responsibility to use the best means at its disposal to achieve that end. It has an obligation to protect the gains that have been made, and where justice de-

mands and charity prescribes, to seek additional gains for the workers. This may mean the union shop.

The worker can no longer consider that his job is independent from all other jobs. He only holds down one job in the production process. If the majority—and this by no means a small majority—through their freely chosen representatives and by a specially conducted election think that their rights are best protected through the union shop, then their decision requiring all workers to join and support the organization is perfectly lawful, moral and justifiable.

It might even be said that the recalcitrant minority of workers is endangering the right of the majority to take such action as they deem necessary to protect their rights. To remain out of the union in this case might even be construed as a social disservice to all the other workers and difficult to defend in justice and charity.

Again we should be careful that we do not allow human selfishness, hypocrisy, and insincerity to masquerade under the banners of individual independence, personal liberty and democracy. This social responsibility imposes an obligation on each worker to protect the gains that have been made in the past. Just as management has inherited the knowledge and advancements of past generations, so do the workers inherit the improvements in wages, hours and working conditions from the unions and their members who have preceded them.

The worker who refuses to join the union, perhaps imbued with the materialistic spirit of the day, is cashing in on these gains without paying the cost. The present position of the worker has been bought at great financial cost and with great personal sacrifice in the past. The non-union man is shirking his responsibility.

This compulsion that is supposed to be against our American traditions actually, in most cases, is no more than making a man pay his just debts to the majority of other workers with whom he is associated in a common enterprise. Just as management cannot deprive the workers of his right to organize, neither can workers take action that will jeopardize the right of the vast majority of workers to protect their gains through the union shop.

Until the time comes when business and industry has shown that it is sincerely interested in the survival of the union as the legitimate protector of the rights of the workers, the union shop or some such device is necessary for the survival of the union. Under the present set of circumstances in the United States we have the alternatives of a strong form of union security—the American way—or a strong political labor party—the European way.

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Business Agent Wilkerson and Secretary Bud Kenyon are back on the job catching up with their work after attending the conference in Seattle, which took up the most of two weeks. They attended two to four sessions each day covering all divisions of our local union. In the discussions on reports of Teamsters Unions in the 11 Western states and through comparing contracts, we have learned and are happy to report that Local 890 is one of the most aggressive organizations with contracts that contain wages, hours and conditions that are tops with the majority of the larger unions, and far in excess of contracts of some unions in other states, some of which have several divisions not organized. British Columbia, Canada, in some instances have wage rates that are one-half the amount that our members receive in this area. However, they like us, are also hampered with anti-labor laws which make it difficult to organize and bring the people up to a decent standard of living. I say again, we are proud of our achievements for Local 890 but we have a long road ahead.

We gained a lot of information at these conferences that will help us stabilize our divisions and protect our fair employers. For example: We have an employer that is paying \$1.50 per hour plus good conditions in a certain type of industry in our area, while in some other area an employer, not organized, pays \$1 per hour and no conditions and he puts his products on the same market. Therefore, we must organize and bring these non-union industries up to somewhere near our scales. If we don't lift them up, they are sure to drag us down with them. So we ask that all of our members work with us in our negotiations that we may continue to make progress.

McMAHAN'S UNFAIR
Don't forget the picket at McMahans Furniture is not there for decoration, but is there to show the community and all union members that they are non-union and not worthy of the patronage of union members. All other furniture firms in this area are 100% union.
Business Agent Ray Burditt held a successful meeting in Gilroy with the group employed at Gentry Division this past week.
Don't forget Texhoma Cab is now 100% union, and along with all

other cab companies in Salinas, deserves your patronage.
GO UNION—BUY LABEL.

Profits Go Up Despite Steep Hike in Taxes

New York (LPA).—Here's another sample of how taxes are "killing" corporations: Grumman Aircraft paid \$3,300,000 in income taxes in the first six months of 1951, and \$5,050,000 in the first six months of 1952. Nevertheless, its net profits (after taxes) for the 1952 period were \$2,168,329, against \$2,032,014 in 1951.

The Coca Cola Co. paid income taxes of \$15,472,698 in the first six months of 1951, and \$16,612,723 in 1952, but its net profits rose from \$11,683,041 to \$12,263,199.

Here are figures on net profits for the first six months, ended June 30, for other firms that did better this year than last:

- ACF-Brill Motors, 1951, \$1,060,095; 1952, \$1,196,175.
- Chicago Corp., 1951, \$2,367,381; 1952, \$2,370,023.
- Gen. Amn. Transport, \$2,852,764; 1952, \$3,043,295.
- Standard Oil (Calif.), \$84,918,170; 1952, \$87,159,717.
- Southern Production Co., \$1,474,297; 1952, \$2,068,775.
- Ohio Oil Co., \$19,776,750; 1952, \$20,360,622.

Here are comparisons of net profits for 12 months ending June 30:

- Wis. Elec. Power, 1951, \$7,797,580; 1952, \$8,494,533.
- Panhandle Eastern Pipe, \$59,820,828; 1952, \$13,158,465.
- Interstate Power, 1951, 1,898,950; 1952, \$2,103,642.
- Empire Dist. Elec., 1951, \$1,042,215; 1952, \$1,227,760.
- San Diego Gas & El., 1951, \$3,500,191; 1952, \$4,071,395.
- N.J. Power & Light, 1951, \$1,264,659; 1952, \$1,392,018.
- Mountain States Power, 1951, \$1,426,834; 1952, \$1,461,045.
- 101,478 Commonwealth Ed., 1951, \$29,101,478; 1952, \$30,225,526.
- Boston Edison, 1951, \$7,397,691; 1952, \$8,386,180.

Be sure you are properly registered to vote!

We Are 2nd Class Citizens—Let's Go 1st Class, AFL LLPE Head Urges Unionists

Minneapolis (LPA).—"Upon no segment of our society has a restrictive law such as the infamous Taft-Hartley act been imposed. It is time for us to rally and regain our status as first-class citizens in this country," James McDevitt, director of Labor's League for Political Education, told the 1200 delegates to the 41st convention of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Moving Picture Machine Operators.

McDevitt attacked leaders of the Republican party for ignoring recommendations of labor at the national convention and, instead, urging continuance of Taft-Hartley in its platform.

Stressing the importance of political action by all members of unions, he said: "We're not asking our members to register in any particular party or to vote for any candidate because of his party affiliation. We're making the records of all members of Congress available to our membership and let them decide for themselves. Because, regardless of party affiliation, no political candidate deserves the vote of a union member if he supports a platform which has restrictive provisions unfair to labor."

The right of workers to organize is as God-given as the right to life, right to property and the right to freedom, said Rev. F. F. Gilligan of St. Paul, in commending unions for their patriotism. They have been good for the country, he commented, because they have protected it from the spread of communism. This, he pointed out, has been accomplished by a more even distribution of wealth, thereby eliminating one of the avenues of approach upon which communism customarily thrives.

Making Ends Meet Stewing Hens, Turkeys, Fruits, Vegetables, Best Buys

By BERT SEIDMAN

Stewing hens, turkeys, and summer fruits and vegetables will be featured in grocery stores during the next few weeks. Among the fruits, peaches, pears, and blueberries should be reasonably priced. Good vegetable buys include lettuce, tomatoes, carrots, cucumbers, corn, squash, beans, and various greens.

FOOD HINTS

Husks of good quality corn are usually fresh and green. However, you can be sure of what you're buying if you peel back the husk and look at the ear. It should be well filled and plump with milk-white kernels.

To avoid spoilage, poultry should be served promptly after cooking; or chill it and hold it at refrigerator temperature until time to serve.

GRADE LABELS

To know what you're getting, look for grade labels on the canned fruits and vegetables you buy.

The Department of Agriculture has established 109 federal grade standards on canned, dried, and frozen vegetables. You don't have to memorize this list. When you see on a can the designation U. S. Grade A, U. S. Fancy, U. S. Grade B, or Choice, you can tell what is on the inside of the container.

The grade label on a can also means that the product was processed under continuous inspection by the U. S. Department of Agriculture beginning with the raw product and continuing through to the final stage of processing. Plants operating under continuous inspection are required to meet Department of Agriculture standards of sanitation and suitability.

FIRST AID FOR STAINS

That fresh, bright appearance of your best summer outfit can be easily marred by stains containing tannin. There is tannin in stains from such summer foods as cherries, peaches, pears, plums, soft drinks or mustard.


The heat of the strong summer sun may set and darken such stains. This is also true for house dresses or aprons which may be permanently marked by leaving such stains exposed to the sun.

To prevent permanent staining sponge with cold water immediately while the stain is moist and fresh. If any traces remain, rub glycerin or soapless shampoo into the stain and then sponge again

Building a Big Wind At Moffett Field

Four 145-ton GE motors will be hooked onto a shaft to produce 180,000 horsepower, greatest single power output, and produce super-sonic winds at Ames Tunnel, Moffett Field, in the multi-million dollar expansion now under way there to pave the way experimentally for the nation's future high-speed aircraft.

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What's in Store for Us

If a Congress unfriendly to labor is elected next November, there is a strong likelihood that it will pass a law prohibiting industry-wide bargaining—which will just about finish what the Taft-Hartley Act began, the destruction of free trade unions.

Even that, however, will be just a curtain-raiser on proposals that will tie the workingman's hands and shackle his feet. With a victory on the industry-wide, nation-wide bargaining issue under their belts, the antiworker reactionaries will drive hard to break down all national labor laws and national security laws by "state's rights" amendments, or as they sometimes call it, "grass-root control."

This means that America would have 48 different old-age pension laws, 48 different minimum wage laws, 48 different work-week laws. It is easy to see that labor would be at the mercy of legislatures such as those in, say, Mississippi or South Dakota, where the trade unionist has little voice.

Furthermore, labor would have to carry on its fight continuously in 48 state legislatures, just as it now has to battle little Taft-Hartleys all over the country because the Taft-Hartley Act recognizes "state's rights" labor legislation.

It's a grim outlook—unless workingmen and their families register and vote for their friends on Election Day.

If it Helps Profits—It's OK, if Not It's Socialistic

The real estate and banking interests succeeded in getting Congress to cut from 75,000 to 35,000 the number of low-rent public housing units which the President asked to be built yearly. The American Federation of Labor requested 135,000.

The real estate lobby, the pressure group of home builders and the mortgage banking crowd claim to see "socialism" resulting from the government's attempt to help cities clean up their slums and to help persons of meager incomes obtain decent housing at moderate rentals.

Why, then, do they not complain that the Federal Housing Administration, the Veterans' Administration's "GI loan" program and the Federal National Mortgage Association are "Socialistic"? All of them put the Federal government smack into the field of private business and risk the taxpayer's money.

The Federal government, through these three major programs has been of direct assistance to the private construction industry, the real estate business and the financial interests—who have never had it so good—to the tune of about \$39 billion.

Is it only "Socialistic" when the poor stand to benefit?

Top Bosses—Biggest Thieves

In case Big Businessmen have led you to believe that all the crooks and chiselers are on the government payroll, take a look at a confidential survey of the Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. of Boston concerning thievery in business.

The survey showed that more than \$1 billion a year is stolen from private firms by executives, salesmen, managers, and other employees.

The study shows that the biggest thieves are company presidents. The average haul of the light-fingered prexies averages \$14,000.

But most Big Business swindles are never exposed or punished because they are technically within the law. It's the public that gets fleeced, while a Congress subservient to the swindlers looks on benignly.

'Socialized' Profits?

The U. S. Chamber of Commerce says that the American standard of living has risen 36 per cent in the last 12 years.

The Federal Trade Commission reports that retail corporations averaged about 12 per cent profit on their stock, after taxes, in 1950 and 1951, and wholesale corporations averaged 13 per cent. The latter, as a matter of fact, raised their profits by 10 per cent last year.

Is that what Big Business calls a "socialized" economy?

Are you and your family properly registered to vote?

JOKES, Etc.

"What did the audience do when you told them they never paid a dollar for a vote?"

"Well, some of them cheered, and some of them got up and left."

Age 16: When a boy turns from Boy Scouting to girl scouting.

Fable: Once there was a woman who looked at the magazine ads and still felt satisfied with her kitchen.

Bridge Player: "Does your husband complain about his meals?"

Second Bridge Player: "Oh, no. He just complains about having to get them."

Behind each man with a gun are 23 men in uniform, and behind those the American taxpayers—very far behind.

An old adage says that death and taxes are inevitable. But death doesn't get worse every time Congress meets.

Two labor leaders in a Washington hotel lobby following a conference watched as two pretty girls met and kissed each other affectionately.

"There's another thing that is absolutely unfair!" remarked one.

"What do you mean?" asked his companion.

"Women doing men's work," came the reply.

First Workman: "Bill's in the hospital! Wot 'appened?"

Second Workman: "He came down a ladder 10 minutes after it was taken away."

Teacher: "If your mother gave you a large apple and a small one and told you to divide with your brother, which would you give him?"

Johnnie: "Do you mean my little brother or my big brother?"

Mrs. Fogarty: "Now Mrs. Roach, tell me about nitrates."

Mrs. Roach: "Well, I know the night rates are cheaper than the day rates."

Mrs. Jones: "I have a terrible rumbling in my stomach, like a wagon going over a bridge."

Dr. Adams: "Very likely that truck you ate for dinner last night."

Eight-year-old: "I ain't never gonna get married."

Seven-year-old: "Why?"

Eight-year-old: "I've already lived too long with married people."

Tale of a man who now leaves his wife home when he goes to the ball game:

"What's so exciting—why are you jumping up and down?" she asked.

"Look!" he exclaimed. "The Dodgers have a man on every base."

"So what?" she scoffed. "So have the Giants."

Quake Damage Closes Up Labor Temple

Bakersfield (LPA).—Closed to further occupancy until changes and repairs are made is the three-story Labor Temple here, with an earthquake to blame. The city's building inspector went over the structure following the recent quake and condemned it. Three locals and the Labor Council staff were forced to find other quarters.

Most serious damage was suffered by the front and back walls, where large sections of bricks were dislodged. Recommendations include removal of the third floor, but final action awaits reports by county or state safety engineers.

For the first time in British history, baby deaths went below 30 in every 1000 in 1950.



Your Security Office is at 196 San Augustine St., San Jose 10. Phone CYPRESS 2-2480.

Many young wage earners do not realize that their social security contributions are buying insurance protection for their families.

For a young father, the "survivors" protection is probably more important than the "old-age" part of social security.

When a worker dies, regardless of his age, monthly benefits go to his widow, if she has a child under 18 in her care, and also to the children.

This provision has been in the social security program since 1939. The 1950 amendments make it easier to qualify for these benefits, and increase the amount of the benefits payable.

For example, if a young man who had been earning average wages of \$150 a month should die today, leaving a widow and two children, age 3 and 5, social security benefits amounting to \$120 a month would be payable to his family for 13 years, until the older child reached 18.

All benefits would stop then. However, when the widow reached the age of 65, unless she had remarried, she would be entitled to \$45.90 a month for the rest of her life.

Family benefits under old-age and survivors insurance may be as high as \$168.75 a month.

Wholesale Prices Up 0.1% for Week Ending August 5

Washington. (LPA).—Wholesale prices went up 0.1 per cent in the week ended August 5. Farm products prices edged down, processed foods were unchanged, meats went up 0.3 per cent, and all other commodities went up 0.2 per cent. The index has risen for four straight weeks.

Retail food prices dropped 0.6 per cent between July 15 and 28, largely because fresh fruits and vegetables were down. Poultry went up 1.8 per cent; pork chops 1.8 per cent; bacon 2.4 per cent; eggs 0.6 per cent. The retail food price index was 0.6 per cent above June 30, and 15.1 per cent above June 15, 1950.

New Mark Is Set In 'What'll They Try Next' Department

Baltimore (LPA).—L. Gordon & Son, Inc., didn't like the election that the AFL Pulp, Sulphite & Paper Mill Workers won June 6 by 70 to 20, and the boss filed objections with the National Labor Relations Board to have it set aside.

Here's what the boss objected to: A sample ballot distributed on the day of the election by "organizers and adherents" of the union was "misleading on its face and, therefore, improper." It showed an "x" in the "yes" box, and was clearly stamped "SAMPLE."

The regional director heard the objections and threw them out June 26. The boss appealed to the NLRB. On Aug. 4 the Board sustained the regional director and certified the union.

N. Calif. Butchers Get \$482,000 In CPS Benefits

Milton S. Maxwell, secretary of the Butchers' Union, Local No. 115, and International vice-president of Amalgamated, told members recently they were being covered by the most comprehensive welfare plan available on today's market. This program, jointly sponsored by CPS-Blue Shield and West Coast Life Insurance Company, has paid more than \$482,000 in doctor-hospital benefits and life insurance, plus \$115,000 dividends from West Coast Life Insurance Company directly to the union. The CPS plan was chosen over other similar proposals, because it was the one plan that had been especially designed for butchers on the principle "that all of the benefits must go to the union member."

The doctors of California established CPS, a non-profit organization, so that lower income families could protect their earnings against the extreme cases of hardship and misery brought on by illness and accidents. In a recent survey conducted by a large Oakland hospital, it was determined that an average cost of one day's stay in the hospital today was over \$26. It is under the Blue Shield Plan, announced various union officials, that butcher members have been given protection against the economic shock of costly doctor-hospital bills, and possible family bankruptcy.

A typical bill recently paid to a union member enrolled in the CPS-West Coast Life Insurance Welfare Plan is as follows:

Shortly after the contract had been negotiated, this member became stricken with cancer. From the time of his first visit to the doctor to the date of his death, CPS paid out \$2,657 in medical, surgical and hospital claims, and West Coast Life Insurance Company paid his family \$5,000. More than \$350 were paid for miscellaneous expenses that included x-rays, drugs, medications and ambulance charges. The total benefits received were \$7,657.60. The deceased member's daughter has called CPS' San Francisco office several times expressing the gratitude of her family for the prompt payment of these bills.

Another case, under which a butcher has received help from Blue Shield in the amount of \$2,074.59, included over \$700 in medical costs, \$800 for hospital expenses, and a surgery bill of \$562.41. This case is only one of many that shows why the butchers chose CPS for their service benefits. CPS will undoubtedly pay several hundred dollars more for additional services rendered this member in the future—few plans today provide such broad coverage.

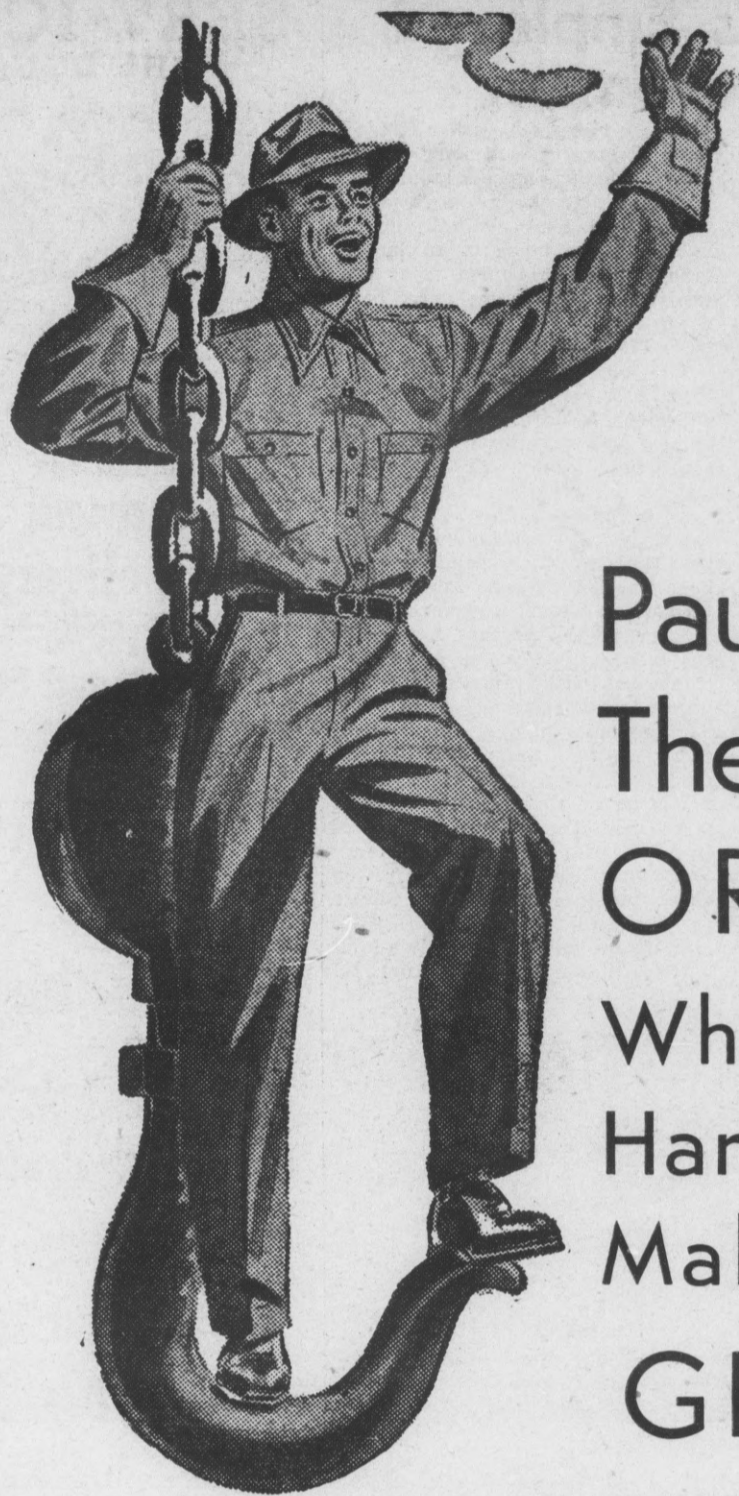
Medical and surgical, as well as hospital, benefits provided in the Butchers' Welfare Plan are based on the "service principle," so that all members receive care in relation to the actual services rendered and needed—not a limited amount of money as usually provided under insurance indemnity plans.

Political Epitaph

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The preceding ad appeared in the Washington Post. The national organization referred to was the Presidential campaign headquarters of Sen. Robert A. Taft.

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Laborers & Hod Carriers Union, Local No. 272

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500 Lawyers Employed By Labor Movement

Labor union lawyers have increased in number until they now hold approximately 500, a growth which has accompanied the huge expansion of the American labor movement during the past 20 years.

This is one of the findings of the first survey ever undertaken of labor union attorneys in the United States. The inquiry was made for the Survey of the Legal Profession now in process in cooperation with the American Bar Association.

The labor report was written by Robert M. Segal, counsel for the Massachusetts Federation of Labor and chairman of a committee of leading labor attorneys, including J. Albert Woll, general counsel of the American Federation of Labor, and Arthur J. Goldberg, general counsel of the Congress of Industrial Organizations.

Mr. Segal's findings include the following:

The real basis of labor law today consist primarily of 100,000 collective bargaining agreements between companies and unions. These contracts make the "law of the plant" for nearly 16,000,000 workers and their employers by establishing wages, hours, job security, working conditions grievance procedure, and the employment relationship. In addition, a labor union attorney must deal with the tremendous amount of federal and state laws which have been enacted in the last 20 years.

While labor lawyers have multiplied, they comprise but a small fraction of all the lawyers in the country, who total around 200,000. The committee sent an eight-page detailed questionnaire to all the labor lawyers, and had replies from 212, or 43 per cent.

These included 16 house counsel or attorneys employed full-time by labor organizations, 40 attorneys for state bodies of the AFL and CIO, 58 lawyers representing AFL city federations of labor and CIO city councils, 48 general counsels for international unions, and 172 lawyers representing local unions.

Of the total of 213, 141 or 66 per cent said they devoted 50 per cent or more of their time exclusively to labor law work. The remainder gave some 25 per cent of their time to labor.

The largest part of this legal work was done for the AFL, as it enlisted 44 per cent of the lawyers. The CIO drew 25 per cent, and independent unions, 10 per cent. The balance of the attorneys split their services among the different labor organizations.

Approximately a quarter of all the labor lawyers said they represented both labor and management.

AVERAGE INCOME
The average income of \$12,500 for labor lawyers was higher than the average income for all lawyers in the United States, but was less than the average for other specialized fields.

The typical labor attorney is about 43 years old, has been in labor relations for about 13 years, and was in other law practice for around 4½ years previously. He

probably had some earlier employment in the government, though it may not have been in labor work.

Contrary to the previous period when judges were generally hostile to labor, the labor union lawyer today feels the courts treat him fairly, except in some rural communities.

OLD-TIME STIGMA

The old-time stigma attaching to a labor lawyer has not entirely disappeared. More than 40 per cent of the attorneys reporting said it continued, though in diminished degree. Some suffered loss of business because of this. The traditional hostility of unions to lawyers founded on the injunction has been carried over to labor union lawyers, it was also reported.

Prior to the present labor era, the labor attorney was principally concerned with injunctions, anti-trust laws, criminal cases, and damage suits against unions. But today his new major interests include collective bargaining, interpretation of the new federal and state laws, the internal affairs of labor unions, appearances before administrative boards, arbitration cases, public relations, and advice to labor unions relative to their new rights, duties, and obligations. —(Christian Science Monitor)

The Trap

By Dolores Smith

Beware of the pit that awaits
concealed
In the jungles and swamps of
life,
Disguised and secluded, prepared to
yield
'Neath the quake of an
ill-wrought strife;
Be watchful wherever you wend
your way
Lest there may be a hungry gap
Awaiting your tread on the fragile
clay—
Beware of the planted trap.

The snare and the tangle whose sly
design
Would engulf and enmesh you
there
In nets of confusion, and so confine
Every dream to a poisoned fare;
The tactics are many, the scruples
few,
That are mustered this gorge to
fill—
Forgetting while setting the trap
anew,
Such dividends gained are nil.

So be on the watch for the crucial
time
When resistance is at its ebb,
And censor your footsteps before
you climb
Weary miles of a twisted web;
How many a life has been brought
to bits
And how many a spirit rent
Because of the folly of absent
wits—
What a loss is a life ill-spent!

Glamor Jobs Appeal

Glamor jobs appeal to the younger generation, according to a poll of high school students in Washington-Lee High School, Arlington, Va., a Washington, D.C., suburb. That was particularly true of the girls, most of whom want to be fashion models or airplane hostesses.

Not a single student wanted to enter apprentice training, only four boys would like to be house painters, and only seven plasterers, bricklayers, or carpenters. One would be willing to carry mail, two aim to be cooks, and one a baker.

Six boys would like to be bankers; 79 girls long to be fashion models, and 77 airplane hostesses. Other preferences: Teaching, 52; ministry, 16; FBI men, 39; interior decoration, 37; journalism, 34; social workers, 19; lawyers, 31; doctors, 48; nursing, 81; government service, 19.

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The cause of dandruff is unknown. Some authorities believe it results from a combination of: 1. abnormal secretions of the oil and sweat glands in the scalp; 2. an overproduction of the top layers of skin; and 3. an excessive growth of bacteria normally present in the scalp.

It is not true, as the patent-medicine makers claim that using their lotions will remove the bacteria and thus cure dandruff. Most lotions depend for their effect on the alcohol or similar antiseptics present in the lotions. The most that a scalp lotion can do is to temporarily remove some of the bacteria of dead cells of the scalp.

POSSIBLE TO CONTROL

Dandruff cannot be cured, but it can be kept under control in most cases by simple scalp hygiene. Especially severe cases can be helped by appropriate medical treatment. While dandruff normally has nothing to do with baldness, the severer

forms may aggravate the "male" type of baldness.

A few simple hygienic measures, while they won't prevent baldness or graying or dandruff, will keep your scalp feeling comfortable and your hair looking well. Brush your hair for a few minutes a day. Brushing is preferable to scalp massage. Use a moderately stiff brush to give a good tug to the hair on each stroke, but don't press the bristles all the way down to the scalp.

Wash your hair at least once a week—more often in a smoky city or during warm weather. Rinse shampoo thoroughly from your hair when you are finished. Any kind of soap will do—solid or liquid.

PLAIN SOAP BEST

A simple white soap is the safest and cheapest to use. It is safest and cheapest because it doesn't contain fancy chemicals which frequently irritate the scalp or eyes. You don't need tar soap or special "detergent soaps."

If washing makes your hair unmanageable rub a small quantity of castor oil (odorless, medicinal grade) on your hands and run your hands through your hair. You don't have to use lanolin or any other fat or grease preparation to ensure proper lustre of the hair.

BRUSHING SUGGESTED

A good texture of hair depends largely on the glands of the scalp. If these glands are not producing enough natural oils for your hair, you can stimulate them with regular brushing. Adding lanolin or other greasy preparations is just a way of collecting more dirt on the scalp and hair.

**GRUMBLING
DOESN'T PAY**

No matter how difficult things get in life, it is well to remember that they could always be worse. The trouble with the average human is that he only looks at the little misfortunes and seldom acknowledges the little blessings. They never stop to think of the enjoyments and privileges they possess. We are all human, and we seem to never appreciate good health until sickness is at our door.

The same attitude prevails in the labor movement. We argue and wrangle with our employers, then reach a settlement and a small minority—borrowing from the Commie line—find fault with the officers of the union and the negotiating committee, no matter how good an agreement has been won. It seems we are living in an age of discontent, spread throughout the world.

I have recently had an experience with a man whose case I regard as tragic. He found fault with his local, the labor movement and was always looking for a chance to throw a few knocks at the International. This fellow had started from nothing and attained a position of good pay and responsibility, but he persisted in finding fault. He was chronically discontent.

I am sorry to say he has been stricken with an ailment from which he may not recover.

Now, looking back, this man can see where he failed to enjoy the blessings he had. Now that it is too late he can see where his attitude prevented him from having the measure of happiness which could have been his.

Such a tragedy can happen to any of us if we do not guard against a constant state of grouching and discontent. We can be cheerful, or at least make an effort at it. We can say a helpful word to the other fellow; we can be grateful for good health and for loved ones.

Each day, we should look around us and note how the books balance. Most of us will find we probably have received more blessings than we have earned.

If, at the end of the day, you will remember to "balance the books" and recognize your blessings, you will find that you rest better, knowing that while you may fail in some things, you are doing your best and will succeed at others.—Dan Tobin.

**Warning
All Politicians**

From The Machinist

Union labor is united in its demands for repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act. It is not going to settle for less in this election year.

Organization has been slowed down. Millions of dollars are being spent in law-suits. Our members have been locked out and forced to strike. Our enemies are able to checkmate almost every move we make by using this legislation which was passed by our enemies for this very purpose.

We said the Taft-Hartley Act was a lemon when it came off the legislative assembly line. Now that we've tried it out, we know we were right.

The men who sold the Taft-Hartley Act would like to talk us into letting them patch it up a little here and there. Well, this time patching isn't going to buy the politicians a thing. Let them admit their mistake and restore the Labor Relations Act which worked so well for so many years.

**WAGE CONTROLS
BILL EXPLAINED**

Recent amendments to the Defense Production Act exempt from wage controls workers employed in firms with eight or less employees. However, the President is authorized to exclude from the exemption certain lines of business where exemption, in his opinion, would be "unstabilizing."

The AFL has therefore informed its affiliates that may be concerned that the government has excluded from the exemption certain types of firms which are therefore still subject to controls.

They include: firms subject to master contracts on an association or area basis; new plants where more than eight employees are expected to be employed; firms that derive more than 25 per cent of their income from dividends, interest, rents, or royalties; and all firms in Alaska.

In addition, certain industries are specifically excluded from the exemption: building and construction; local and over-the-road trucking; tool and die sinkers; automotive repair; and logging and sawmills and planing mills.

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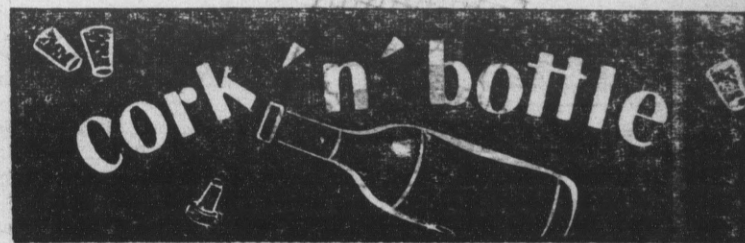
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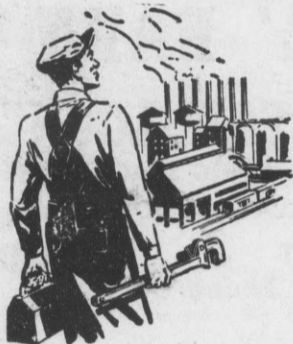
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The Dog's Oldest Role— Protection

By JOHN DIFFILY

Dogs are protected. They have been since the days when they lived with their masters in natural caves in the hillsides. They were one of the first animals domesticated by man. Egyptian writings mention dogs as early as 3000 B.C. In the half light before the dawn of civilization the dog turned his tail on the animal world and became the companion of men. The pre-historic skin clad hunter, clutching his crude spear, knew the comforting sound of a dog's footsteps padding along behind him. A fire built in the mouth of his cave and a dog to sound the alarm if animal or hostile human approached gave man his first sense of security. Since those days, dogs have known every habitation of the human race — huts, tents, castles, boats and houses. The medieval castle always had its population of dogs and a few favorites who were never far from the lord's feet. Dogs slept in the Crusader's tents and shared the hardships of desert campaigns. The little "Schipperke" knows the barges of Belgium as his home. His name means "Little Skipper." For several hundreds of years his duties have been to keep the barges free of rats and sound the alarm against unwanted boarders.

In America our Indians well knew the value of dogs. It was impossible to approach an Indian village without causing the pack of dogs who lived there to raise every soul from his bed long before any surprise attack could be started.

Across the North American continent dogs followed the covered wagons to homes on the banks of the Mississippi and all the way to the shores of the far Pacific. Lonely frontier women knew the protection of dogs when they spent days and weeks alone in remote cabins.

I saw the efficiency of the dogs used by the Marine Corps during World War II. Their guard duty was perfect. I don't think anyone in his right mind would have argued with any of the Doberman or German Shepherds I saw on Guadalcanal or Bougainville.

Recently a great deal of publicity was given to the dogs employed by the Marshall Field Department Store in Chicago to supplement the regular human night watchman. There are two of them, German Shepherds, who patrol the store and warehouse. They make their rounds and, miracle of the modern age, report in by pressing a button with their paws. They do not attack trespassers, but corner them and hold them until the night watchmen arrive. Several late-working employees have found themselves pinned in a corner until help arrived.

Many a farm house knows the protection of a fine dog. It is well to remember this attribute of the animal in these days of stress on bench show, field trial and general companionship.

My own bulldog bitch has one of the finest dispositions in the world. The children maul and love her, and the only reaction is to increase the tempo of her tail-wagging. Yet I know that her wrinkled face and low warning growl will protect our home against any danger.

Don't get the idea that a dog has to be in the Great Dane or Irish Wolfhound class to be protection. A terrier or any medium sized dog can be a ball of fire when he is protecting his home and family. Even a toy dog can be almost all heart. A year or so ago a little toy was killed protecting his mistress against a would-be attacker. He managed to raise so much commotion that he diverted the man long enough to ruin his plans.

Yes, a dog is a great protection to anyone, but when a child is involved his selflessness knows no limits. There are hundreds of well authenticated stories of dogs taking

Each in His Own Tongue

A fire-mist and a planet,
 A crystal and a cell,
 A jellyfish and a saurian,
 And caves where the cavemen dwell;

Then a sense of law and beauty
 And a face turned from the clod—

Some call it Evolution,
 And others call it God.

A haze on the far horizon,
 The infinite, tender sky,
 The ripe rich tint of the corn-fields,
 And the wild geese sailing high—

And all over the upland and lowland

The charm of the goldenrod—
 Some of us call it Autumn,
 And others call it God.

Like tides on a crescent sea beach,
 When the moon is new and thin,

Into our hearts high yearnings
 Come welling and surging in—
 Come from the mystic ocean,
 Whose rim no foot has trod—
 Some of us call it Longing,
 And others call it God.

A picket frozen on duty,
 A mother starved for her brood,

Socrates drinking the hemlock,
 And Jesus on the rood;
 And millions who, humble and nameless,
 The straight, hard pathway plod—

Some call it Consecration,
 And others call it God.

—William Herbert Carruth.

The Daffodils

By WILLIAM WORDSWORTH

I wandered lonely as a cloud
 That floats on high o'er vales
 and hills,

When all at once I saw a crowd,
 A host of golden daffodils,
 Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
 Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
 And twinkle on the Milky Way,
 They stretched in never-ending line

Along the margin of a bay:
 Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
 Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced,
 but they
 Outdid the sparkling waves in glee:

A poet could not but be gay
 In such a jocund company.

I gazed, and gazed, but little thought
 What wealth the show to me
 had brought.

For oft, when on my couch I lie
 In vacant or in pensive mood,
 They flash upon that inward eye
 Which is the bliss of solitude:
 And then my heart with pleasure fills,
 And dances with the daffodils.

on snakes and wild animals many times their own size to protect a child. A dog is happiest when he is with a child, and at his noblest when he thinks a child is in danger. How often have you read stories of a dog awakening a sleeping family when fire has threatened to destroy their home and trap them? These stories are so common that they no longer seem unusual.

Recently an even more unusual example of a dog's ability to detect danger was revealed. A ten-month-old Pointer pup was in a closed garage with his master and the man's brother when he detected carbon monoxide gas filling the building. The pup did his best to alert the men to their danger and make them leave. They did not understand his meaning. Finally the dog collapsed and this warned them. They escaped in time taking the unconscious Pointer with them. He recovered and is a well-loved pet.

The dog's oldest and best role is indeed—Protector.

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FEELING LOW? YOU MAY HAVE LOW BLOOD PRESSURE

There are a lot of people today who, while they are not sick, just don't feel "up to snuff." These persons tire easily, seem to have little stamina, and are simply not up to extensive physical exertion. And often the cause may be—"low blood pressure."

Well, friend reader, if you are one so afflicted, don't bemoan your plight, because many experts who have made intensive studies of blood pressure regard low blood pressure as an asset rather than a disease. This is because high blood pressure, which is a common ailment among many persons over 50, often leads to apoplexy, hardening of the arteries, and heart failure. Thus the man or woman subjected to low blood pressure, while he may not feel full of vim and vigor, so long as he is a victim of low blood pressure will never fall beneath the onslaught of one of the serious traveling companions of high blood pressure.

Now, what constitutes "low blood pressure"? Well, it's lower than average blood pressure, but it may be perfectly normal and healthy for some people. For example, if you were to measure the height of a hundred or more healthy young men, the average height would be about five feet, eight inches. Some would be taller and some would be shorter. Now, if blood pressure were taken of the same group, the average would be 120 (millimeters mercury systolic pressure). Some would have pressures higher and some lower. People with lower-than-average blood pressure, unless it is extremely low, usually feel fine.

Some persons with low blood pressure have symptoms of dizziness or faintness on changing position. A doctor can prescribe a cure for these symptoms.

In rare instances, but only in rare instances, low blood pressure is associated with definite diseases such as Addison's disease and inadequate thyroid function.

There is not too much to be said about low blood pressure. Since it has always been considered such a "safe" disease to have, there have not been extensive studies made of it. The first real interest in it was taken during the first World War, when it was found that when a great number of young men were put into active military training, medical observers came to realize that there were many persons, apparently fit and able to perform the duties of ordinary life, who simply were not up to the physical rigors demanded of the soldier. Many of these, upon examination, were found to have low blood pressure. Apparently they were normal, yet they tired easily, had little endurance, were simply not up to strenuous physical work.

Studies prompted by the observations described above brought out the fact that while low blood pressure may occur at any age, it is generally regarded as a disturbance of early adult life.

Doctors tried to learn the causes of low blood pressure. As with high blood pressure, the tendency is toward inheritance. Low blood pressure runs in families. It generally appears in persons with a particular type of build.

Dr. S. C. Robertson of Northwestern University measured more than 10,000 persons and came up with the information that high blood pressure is most common in those with a short, stocky build, while tall, slender, narrow-chested persons tend to have low blood pressure.

Low blood pressure may follow any long-drawn-out exhaustive fever or illness like typhoid, influenza or some of the virus diseases prevalent today. Often this period of low blood pressure is short and the victim's pressure rises to normal in a few weeks. It depends on the individual—some are more or less physically unfit for months. For example, Mary J. had virus pneumonia and ran a temperature

of 103-104 for 10 days. (This was during the war when the wonder drugs weren't commercially available in the supply they are today.) Much of her hair fell out and she lost 22 pounds in two weeks. When she left her bed, she was weak and exhausted and her blood pressure was extremely low. Mary had always had a strong constitution, however, and when she returned to her doctor in two weeks for a checkup, her blood pressure was back to normal where it has remained ever since.

On the other hand, Jim B., who suffered a similar onslaught, had low blood pressure for nine months and it was a full year before he really felt fit again.

Then malnutrition can bring on low blood pressure because your circulatory apparatus may suffer along with other organs when there is a general food lack.

The anemias, too, may be a cause of low blood pressure, because the anemia could produce a state of malnutrition in your tissues.

Now, what should you do if you have low blood pressure? Well, if you know it is between 90 and 100 and you have symptoms of faintness or dizziness, you should go to your doctor for a thorough medical checkup. He can relieve the symptoms, ascertain the cause of your low blood pressure and take steps to correct it.

In general, however, low blood pressure indicates that you should take more mild exercise in the open air, that you should get more rest than your neighbor who has normal pressure. If you have been getting seven or eight hours sleep, you'll do better on nine or ten.

Your physical checkup may prove, as suggested above, that your low blood pressure is a result of anemia or undernourishment. You should then adopt a diet of foods rich in vitamins and iron. Meat and milk are important for you. Many victims of low blood pressure are underweight. These people need to build themselves up with good, wholesome, nourishing food—and plenty of it.

If you're feeling low, see your doctor. If he finds that you have low blood pressure, he will investigate to see if any organic disease is responsible. If he finds such is the case (and nine chances out of ten it isn't), he will do all he can to cure it. Ordinarily though, he will find that the low blood pressure patient has no ailment to which he can point a finger. And then he will suggest, as we have here, that these persons get outdoors all they can, that they take moderate exercise, that they improve their habits, get more rest, follow an adequate diet, and add a little weight to give them more energy.

'Election' Called; Strikers Barred, Only Scabs Vote

Bristol, Va. (LPA)—As "guaranteed" by the Taft-Hartley Act, the employees of Bristol Lincoln-Mercury Sales were to vote some time before Labor Day on whether they want to be represented by the International Association of Machinists.

Way back in June, 1951, 15 IAM members of the 17 employees of that period went out on strike to get a contract and decent working conditions: one resigned, and the 17th scabbed. The 15 were replaced by 11 strikebreakers.

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Dat Ol' Man River Still Rolls— And With It a Lot of Freight

Dat Ol' Man River still goes rolling along, and with it the waterborne commerce that still carries a large part of the products and materials originating in the mid-section of the nation.

This fact, that inland waterborne commerce is not only continuing but even being expanded, was revealed in a recent article in the official journal of the AFL Masters, Mates & Pilots.

The Mississippi River system, which includes the Missouri, Ohio and other tributary rivers, has some 4,000 miles of channel nine feet or more in depth.

Its arms reach into some of the most productive industrial and farming areas of the nation, link great city markets on a water chain and funnel to the Gulf seaports constituting one of America's major gateways to the world.

Fast rail, motor and air hauling now overshadow the slower, economical river freighting, but they have not, and may never, eliminate it.

Things are different, though, from the old days when flimsy barges were floated or pushed

downstream only, to be broken up for lumber at the end of the trip. Then stern-wheeler pusher craft had to deadhead their way upstream against the current for another tow.

Today there is as much freight going up-river as down-river. Responsible is the advent of the modern, powerful, diesel-engined river boat. It's smaller, not so pretty as the ornate sternwheelers of the earlier day, but it's a better work-horse.

Responsible, too, are improvements in barge design. The new barges are no longer clumsy wooden boxes. The tows are made up with streamlined barges at the head and the rear to cleave the water, eliminating drag and giving more speed and economy.

There are about 46,000 persons employed in river transportation, two-thirds of them actually working on the boats.

Annual payrolls for riverboat employees total between \$150,000,000 and \$200,000,000.

Thus, the old wooden raft on which Huck Finn floated down the Mississippi has been brought up to date as a part of one of the nation's biggest freighting systems—a big business in its own right.

The Same Old Story

One of the greatest needs of the American people is a system of insurance that will enable them to pay doctor and hospital bills without going deeply into debt.

Heading the fight against a national health insurance plan is the leadership of the American Medical Association (AMA). It has hired a team of press agents at \$100,000 a year to manage the political campaign against the plan.

So wild is the AMA in its opposition that it is trying to brand Republican Governor Earl Warren of California as a Socialist, of all people.

That's because Warren said it should be possible "for every one of our people to protect himself and his family from the economic disaster of back-breaking hospital and medical bills."

And it's because Warren stated, "The man in the average or lower income bracket who contributes so much to building our country and whose greatest ambition and hope is to raise a good American family cannot bear the financial catastrophe of serious illness."

It's the same old story. Whenever someone supports a program to help the people, he's a Socialist.

It's all right to help the railroads, even through government subsidies. It's all right to help the air lines, even through government subsidies. It's all right to help the publishers, even through government subsidies.

But it's terrible to help the people to set up a system of health insurance that they would pay for themselves. That's socialism.

Let us remember that the cry of socialism was once raised against social security. Yet today social security is an almost universally accepted part of our American way of life.

The American Medical Association believes that voluntary insurance can protect people against the cost of doctor and hospital bills although voluntary plans pay for only 12 percent of the nation's health costs.

But back in 1934, the AMA got out a statement on voluntary health insurance which said:

"Without some form of compulsion, voluntary insurance fails of its objective of distributing the cost of sickness among large classes of the population with even approximate fairness."

"The young and healthy will not join and the aged and sickly, if accepted, will raise the cost to a prohibitive point, and, if rejected, remove protection from those most in need."

"Sickness insurance cannot distribute the burden of sickness among the low-income classes unless it is compulsory."

People Last

The Duke of Argyll has explained to me in his "Reign of Law" with what nice adaptations the feathers on a bird's wing are designed to give it the power of flight; he has told me that the claw on the wing of a bat is intended for it to climb by.

Will he let me ask him to look in the same way at the human beings around him?

I will ask him to consider the little children growing up in city slums, toiling in mines, working in noisome rooms; the young girls chained to machinery all day or walking the streets by night; the men who all life long must spend life's energies in the effort to maintain life! He should consider them as he has considered the bat and the bird.

I met accidentally in Scotland, recently, a lady of the small landlord class, and the conversation turned upon the poverty of the Highland people.

"Yes, they are poor," she said, "but they deserve to be poor; they are so dirty. I have no sympathy with women who won't keep their houses neat and their children tidy."

I suggested that neatness could hardly be expected from women who every day had to trudge for miles with creels of peat and seaweed on their backs.

"Yes," she said, "they have to work hard. But that is not so sad as the hard lives of the horses. Did you ever think of the horses? They have to work all their lives—till they can't work any longer. It makes me sad to think of it. There ought to be big farms where horses should be turned out after they had worked some years, so that they might have time to enjoy themselves before they died."

—HENRY GEORGE, 1884.

55 Rooms in Hotel Rented by GOP For the Campaign

Washington. (LPA)—The Republican National Committee has rented 55 rooms in the Washington hotel for the 1952 campaign. That includes all 50 rooms on the second floor, a three-room suite on the fourth floor for Sen. Richard M. Nixon, vice presidential nominee, and two rooms on the third to house a five-position telephone switchboard.

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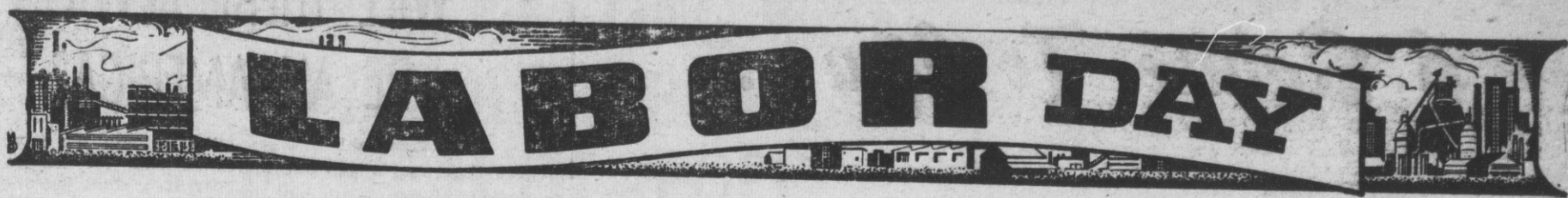
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WILL THERE ALWAYS BE AN AMERICA?

By Eric Dahl

Some time ago, a patriotic and courageous Marine Lieutenant, on leave from the battlefield in Korea, gave a speech before a gathering of officers and enlisted men in a Southern Army camp. In his speech he pointed out that our way of living was the cause of our reverses in our winter campaign in the Korean war. We lost out in spite of all the latest equipment for destruction that any army ever possessed, including all the commissary department paraphernalia such as canned food, sleeping bags, etc. The North Koreans and the Chinese on the other hand not being used to any comforts, fought and slept in their padded cotton uniforms. Each man had a bag of rice, some onions, garlic and possibly some dried fish for their meals; the cooking was done by each unit or individually. These soldiers proved that they could withstand many more hardships than our own soldiers.

He further reminded the group about the large percentage of our men who were rejected for the draft because of physical disabilities. He said, in essence: "If we do not change our way of living, some day another nation will invade our country and take our women and breed a stronger race of men."

After hearing this patriotic American's speech, we might ask ourselves, "Can it be that we Americans who have developed the most perfect so-called Machine Civ-

ilization and the most wonderful inventions for human comfort—can it be that we are headed on the wrong road and for disaster?"

A minister speaking over the radio some time ago said, "I am not so worried about the radicals in America, but I am more concerned about the indifferent people in this country, those who are too busy making money and having a good time, to worry about anything else."

The pioneers that landed on this continent some hundreds of years ago found this land flowing with "Milk and Honey" just like those Israelites of old found the land of Canaan, thousands of years ago. Those pioneers that landed here were a hard-working, God-fearing class of people who cleared the land, tilled the soil, raised their families and lived in contentment. Nobody ever dreamed of getting rich quick; a few generations followed in their forefathers' footsteps.

Then the Machine Civilization crept into this happy land and everybody dreamed of getting rich. Speculation started, gambling began, corporations were formed for the exploitation of our country. Our beautiful hardwood and pine forests have been devastated and cut down, without any thought of reforestation. Our natural resources have been squandered, irreplaceable metals such as nickel, iron, and copper have been wasted in wars. Our farm land is getting poorer every year. Cutting down our forests has caused many problems; big dust storms blow away millions of tons of our precious top soil, the water table is sinking alarmingly and floods are ruining our farms and cities every year. We are robbing our farm land of the most valuable minerals, depending only on artificial fertilizers which are not sufficient. We do not stop to think that farm land which is poor in minerals will cause our whole population to suffer. Instead of being a hardy bunch of people such as our forefathers and the pioneers were, we are slowly becoming a country of pill-eaters. No wonder so many of our young boys are rejected in the draft.

Have we absorbed only material gains and neglected the spiritual values? Are we neglecting to take care of our precious land and those resources we have inherited from our forefathers?

Hidden Taxes

A business news service which deals in opinion-forming propaganda recently delivered itself of a potent piece on taxes. The chief blat of the writer was that corporations are paying too much. And that the stockholders should "sound off" on taxes in order to get some relief.

It should be noted that in the same article appeared a table citing a number of common items of daily use by the average family together with a median price and the taxes paid thereon. If the table is reasonably correct, much of the effect of the writer in tempting to win sympathy for the poor downtrodden corporation is lost. For the table shows that these basic items, the ultimate consumer gets hit in the pocket book at every turn.

Here are a few figures given to note how much are taxes: 5c out of 12c spent for soap are taxes; 12c out of 21c for cigarettes are taxes; 5c out of 14c for bread; 23c out of 85c for eggs; 9c out of 23c for milk; \$7.10 out of \$20.7 for auto tires; 32c out of 90c for beef; 3 1/4c out of 10c for candy; \$15 out of \$24 for a ton of coal.

The prices vary in different sections of the country and at different seasons of the year, but the ratios are approximately the same.

Who gets hurt worse by taxes on the things we use, eat, wear? The average family, of course. And yet the stockholders are asked to "sound off" about corporate taxes. Yet dividends hit an all-time high last year.

Expert Says Union Meetings Are Tops

"Union members know more about the proper way to run meetings—and act at them—than practically any other group of Americans," says an outstanding authority, Alice F. Sturgis.

Mrs. Sturgis ought to know. Meetings and organizations are her business. Now studying large groups, including labor unions, on a Guggenheim Fellowship, she is the author of a basic book on running organizations, "Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure."

With some 70,000 locals meeting every few weeks—or better than a million meetings a year—Mrs. Sturgis is paying labor a big compliment.

SIX RULES

"There are six essential rules for meetings all union members should remember," she says, "if they want their locals to maintain true efficiency and democracy."

1. State your motions simply and correctly.
2. Hold your fire in debate, obey the rules, and be brief.
3. Never indulge in personalities.
4. Be quick to adopt others' suggestions.
5. Don't just memorize rules of order, but try to understand the reasons behind them.
6. Your meetings are the heart of our democracy. Attend them regularly, and always keep in mind the good of the union.

Talks Opened On New Contracts For Mine Workers

Washington. (LPA) — Negotiations on a new contract for the United Mine Workers have opened between John L. Lewis, UMW chief, and Harry Moses, spokesman for the Bituminous Coal Operators Association, which comprises the northern soft coal industry. The union's 60-day notice of cancellation of contract leaves them free to strike Sept. 20.

The group Moses represents includes not only northern commercial mines by the "captive" mines, owned by the steel companies.

The union also has notified the southern operators of cancellation, leaving the union free to strike them Sept. 30.

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PUBLIC GETTING WISE TO INTOLERABLE GAP IN WEALTH--POPE

Vatican City, Aug. 8.—The gap between wealth and poverty is still "intolerable," declared Pope Pius XII in a letter to French social workers published in L'Osservatore Romano, the Vatican newspaper.

The problem can be solved, the Pontiff said, by reaching a more equitable division of the income produced by the common efforts of labor and management, and how this is to be done is too weighty a matter to be left to the "free play of blind economic forces."

Since employers and workers have a common interest in the healthy prosperity of the national economy, he said, "why should it not be legitimate to give workers a just share of responsibility in establishing and developing this economy?" Some of the Pope's other points:

Governments should coordinate and stimulate productive enterprise in behalf of increased production but see to it that the national income is divided "wisely according to the needs and dignity of man."

"Superfluous and unreasonable expenses" for personal luxuries should be recognized as intolerable, particularly in view of widespread acute poverty and of the increased postwar realization by many of the poor just how unequal conditions are.

It is well for the rich to remember the Biblical warning about how hard it is for the wealthy to enter Heaven.

Legislators should think first of the poor, on the ground that the rich have other defenses.

Egyptians May Eat Better Now With King Off Their Backs; Ibn Saud Orders Swank Plane

King Farouk, who was ousted from the Egyptian throne and is now in a luxury resort on the Italian island of Capri, says he "is no longer a rich man." If you don't believe it, just look at his picture and see how poor and starved he is.

The ex-king's idea of poverty is a little different from the notions of ordinary folks. He made his getaway from Egypt on a private yacht, loaded with such plebian beverages as choice Scotch and champagne. When he arrived at Capri, he sent for a high-priced London tailor to measure him for a few dozen new suits. According to reports, he has "only" about \$50 million stashed away in such safe places as the United States.

This huge fortune, plus his palace and other great possessions in Egypt, came out of the sweat and misery of "his" people, who are a lot thinner than Farouk.

STOPPED WEDDING

With him in the picture is Queen Narriman. There was quite a to-do in newspapers a year or two ago. She was engaged to marry a "commoner" Egyptian, but King Farouk saw her and stopped the wedding. "I want her," he said, and what he said went, because he was the King of Egypt.

Their baby, of course, is as innocent as any other baby. His name is Ahmed Fouad, and he was born to the title Crown Prince. He'll probably be happier if he never is a king.

Farouk and his royal predecessors flourished and piled up their ill-gotten gains in Egypt under British rule. In another Middle East country, Saudi Arabia, another king, Ibn Saud, grows fabulously wealthy under the rule of two big American oil corporations, Standard of California and the Texas Company.

FLYING PALACE

This week, a newspaper report said, "King Ibn Saud added a 'flying palace' complete with throne, to his fleet of luxury vehicles. It will be the first private airplane built with an elevator, so Ibn Saud can remain in a chair while being hoisted aboard.

"The plane will have a king-size royal bed, and seats for some of his 120 wives. It will carry Ibn Saud from his winter palace to his summer palace."

Ibn Saud's Arab "subjects," like the Egyptians, are miserably poor.

It seems to make no difference whether British "Tories" or American oil companies rule over "backward" peoples.—"Labor."

FIRST PENSION CHECKS MAILED TO BRICKLAYERS

New York City.—The first pension plan for bricklayers became officially effective in New York City with the first pension checks mailed. Deposits accumulated by employers over a period of a year and a half totaled \$1,625,937, covering 8,000 AFL union bricklayers, with provision for retirement at 65.

Under the initial schedule of retirement benefits, payments will range from \$20 a month to a possible maximum of \$100 a month, the latter for those who remain eligible and work as bricklayers for 40 years.

ELIGIBILITY RULES

To be eligible, a bricklayer must have a minimum of 10 years of credited employment prior to retirement and at least a full year of employment in the 5 years immediately before retirement. Bricklayers who are now 65 years or older who want to retire now must have worked 20 consecutive years in the trade, and 10 years in the territory covered by the pension plan.

Under the plan terms, a full year of employment is equivalent to 1,008 hours, or 12 days a month. Upon retirement at 65, a bricklayer will get \$2.50 a month for life for each credited year he was employed.

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The pension fund also provides a death benefit of \$100 for each year of service in the trade with a maximum of \$1,000.

The fund resulted from collective bargaining between employer groups and representatives of the 7 local unions of the Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers' International Union of America.

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(State Fed. Release)

San Francisco.—The office of Frank A. Lawrence, Industrial Accident Commissioner, this week issued the 13th in a series of questions and answers on Workmen's Compensation laws.

Rules governing Commission hearings of accident cases are thoroughly reviewed in the new series which will be presented in three sections.

The first section treats of wit-

ness and subpoena rules, filing of applications where an employer's insurance carrier refuses to pay compensation or furnish medical treatment, and physical examination requirements.

A limited number of copies may be obtained by interested persons and organizations. Requests should be directed to Frank A. Lawrence, Industrial Accident Commissioner, 965 Mission St., San Francisco, Calif.

**Landlord Rejects CIO
Tenants Because CIO
Favors Rent Control**

Chicago (LPA).—Landlord Max Woolpy, peeved because he has been permitted to raise his rents only 20 per cent since 1942, has refused to rent his apartments to CIO members because the CIO supports rent controls.

Woolpy, reproaching a war veteran steelworker because his pay, partly because of promotions, has gone up from 79 cents to \$2 an hour in 10 years, rejected the man's application for an apartment for his wife and two children.

"So long as the CIO actively engages in its present rent policy," Woolpy said, "just so long will my office refuse to rent a controlled apartment to any member of that union." He added that he "would be surprised if other landlords did not adopt a similar policy."

The reactionary Chicago Tribune, clearly hoping that other landlords would follow Woolpy's lead, spread the story over two columns of space and used Woolpy's picture.

Sportsmen's News**18,058 Tons of Tuna**

Terminal Island.—A total of 18,058 tons of tuna were landed in California ports for processing during June, according to compilations of the Department of Fish and Game.

The figure was 3906 tons better than May commercial landings and continued the general, long-term upward trend of the fishery and industry.

An additional 407 tons of yellow-tail and 3548 tons of mackerel, 902 of them Pacific, were received during the month.

Low canners' inventories, current high demand and expansion of the market due to the industry's aggressive promotion are helping to keep the tuna fishery and industry moving forward, according to John F. Janssen, assistant chief of the Department's marine fisheries branch.

Crab Season Ends

San Francisco.—California's crab fishing seasons—both sport and commercial—will end July 31 in all parts of the State, says the Department of Fish and Game.

The regulation applies only to the so-called market crab, cancer magister, and not the rock crabs taken by sportsmen throughout the year.

The commercial fishing season, and sports fishing in north coast districts 6, 7, 8 and 9 will resume November 15. Elsewhere, non-commercial crab fishermen may set their traps from December 15 to July 31.

Aerial Trout Plant

San Francisco.—When the California Department of Fish and Game winds up its current trout aerial planting program in August, more than 2,600,000 fingerlings will have been dropped in remote mountain lakes.

The intense six-week planting schedule calls for the dropping of fish in 610 lakes between Sequoia National Park and the Oregon line. Most of this year's aerial plant will be eastern brook trout, with a few waters marked to receive rainbows.

The summer planting program was delayed this year because many waters at higher elevations were iced over following record winter snowfalls.

3 Vanishing Birds

Washington, D. C.—Three North American birds are on the list of 13 birds as vanishing species by the International Union for the Protection of Nature, according to an announcement by the Union's Commission on Public Information. These are the California condor, the Eskimo curlew and the North American whooping crane.

Other threatened species are the Arabian ostrich, Hawaiian goose, New Caledonian kagou, Indian pink-headed duck, Australian ground parakeet, Laysan duck, Marianas mallard, Cuban ivory-billed woodpecker, Bermuda petrel and Marianas megapode.

Plant Black Bass

Oroville.—The California Department of Fish and Game has announced a July planting of 5500 smallmouth black bass fingerlings in the Feather River between Rock Creek Dam and Cresta Dam.

The fish were raised at the Central Valleys hatchery, Elk Grove, and transported to their new homes by tank truck. Five separate plantings were made between the two dams, according to C. H. Freyschlag, assistant supervisor of hatcheries.

California hunters killed a total of 5700 bears during the 1950 hunting season, according to results of a postal survey conducted by the Department of Fish and Game.

More than 1,129,000 quail of five species were taken by California hunters during the 1950 seasons, according to a post card survey made by the Department of Fish and Game.

Can Sell Deer Hides

San Francisco.—Aside from the many intangible benefits of deer hunting and the prize of about 100 pounds of edible venison, successful California deer hunters this year will be able to pick up a few dollars from the sale of deer hides, the Department of Fish and Game advises.

A new Legislative law, effective Sept. 23, 1951, permits hunters to sell their deer hides ten days after the close of the last hunting season, or October 29, this year.

Except during World War II, the sale of hides has been banned since 1893. The 59-year old restriction was adopted to stop the slaughter of deer by commercial hide hunters.

Hunters are advised to take a minimum of two pounds of table salt on the hunt and to rub it well into the fleshed side of the deer skin. The hide should drain overnight and should be kept in a cool place. It can later be rolled up for transportation. A commercial or home freezer is a good place to keep the treated hide for the 10-day post-season period.

Tannery prices during the war years ranged from 50 cents to \$5 per hide, depending on the market and condition of the hide. They were extensively used for World War II Armed Forces garments.

Big Shasta Catch

Redding.—The hungry black bass of Shasta Lake, currently providing what the California Department of Fish and Game calls the best bass fishing in the West, have been served another helping of golden shiners as a guarantee of sustained angling success.

Seventeen thousand shiners were planted in the reservoir this month as a black bass forage fish. It is the second plant of the minnow-type fish since the Department introduced largemouth black bass to the Lake in 1949.

While the State agency has cooperated with other organizations in the introduction of Kamloops trout and Kokanee salmon in recent years, it is the black bass which accounts for the Lake's excellent fishing reputation, and seems to hold the greatest promise for easy, year-round angling, according to the inland fisheries branch.

Shoo-Shoo Ducks

San Francisco.—Patrols on the watch for another possible outbreak of dreaded botulism among ducks have been staked out by the California Department of Fish and Game and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service in two southern San Joaquin Valley danger spots.

Game biologists of the two agencies are on the alert at Tulare Lake, Kings County, and Buena Vista Lake, Kern County. The two normally-dry areas are flooded for the first time since 1941.

If the duck-killing disease is present, personnel of the State and Federal game agencies will be mobilized to "herd off" the birds before they can become infected, according to State Game Conservation Chief Ben Glading.

Top counties in the May coyote kill were San Diego, 20; Siskiyou, 19; and Riverside, 16. A total of 162 coyotes were bagged. One hundred and forty-eight bobcats were also cured of their bird and game eating habits.

Fourteen per cent of the deer hunters living in the Los Angeles area shot their bucks in Modoc County during the 1950 season, according to the California Department of Fish and Game.

San Francisco.—A total of 70 miles of trout streams will be improved for both fish and fishermen and more than 3300 acre-feet of new lake waters impounded this summer in the most ambitious habitat improvement program yet undertaken by the California Department of Fish and Game.

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Huge Calif. Water-Power Program Underway; 12 Big Dams Building or Planned

A giant program to augment a growing state's lifeblood—water and power—is now under way by private, state, and federal agencies in California with much of the program now in progress and preliminary steps being taken on most of the remainder within the past three weeks.

More than a dozen major dams, to provide great new sources of both water and power, are either under way or planned, extending from Pine Flat Dam on the south to the proposed Trinity River development on the north.

Three huge central-state Sierra projects, on the Feather, Stanislaus and Mokelumne rivers, have moved out of the planning stage and into the preliminary-work stage in recent weeks.

BIG FEATHER JOB

Largest of these, on the Feather River, is a billion-dollar project being pressed by the state to deliver north-state water as far south as San Diego to help feed water-hungry Southern California. State Division of Water Resources ordered first survey work on the Feather River project last week.

The other two central-state projects are a \$52 million, PG&E tri-dam power development on the Stanislaus River, and a \$65 million tri-dam project on the Mokelumne River to give added water to the East Bay cities of San Francisco Bay.

Meanwhile, work is going full blast on three other major projects. Bear River dam, a \$12 million PG&E power project 40 miles east of Jackson has 700 men employed.

Folsom dam, a major Bureau of Reclamation development on the American River, is going high gear, and Pine Flat dam, an Engineer project on Kings River in the south, is breaking records.

One other project took its initial step recently, Coyote Valley dam, four miles from Ukiah on the Russian river, a \$16 million project, Army Engineers starting preliminary work.

Pressure for start on still another big water-power project in the north end was gaining force steadily. This is the Trinity River development, which would send a million acre feet of water into the Central Valleys system instead of letting it go to waste into the Pacific. A series of tunnels would bring it into the valley and put it into Sacramento River just below Shasta Dam, and stations would collect power from it on the way down into the valley.

Detroit (LPA). — The baseball team of Painters Local 42 has lost its star second baseman with Tony "Jackie" Reynolds resigning to devote more time to music. He also holds membership in the Musicians Local, is a former player with the semi-pro New York Cubans and Washington Royals.

Delivery of Central Valley Power Set In New Contract

(State Fed. Release)

A 10-year contract providing for delivery of Central Valley Project electric power at substantial savings to the Provident Irrigation District was signed at Willows last week by President Walter Calvert of the district, and Regional Director Richard L. Boke of the Bureau of Reclamation.

CVP energy will be delivered to the district's pumping station at Sids' Landing on the Sacramento River over lines of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

The wheeling of CVP power generated at Shasta and Keswick power plants is provided by a previous agreement made between the utility and the Bureau of Reclamation, it was pointed out.

"Through the terms of this contract, the district expects to realize substantial savings in its pumping costs," Calvert and Boke said in a joint statement. "Using the 1951 power consumption as a base, Provident Irrigation District will be saving more than 50 per cent in its electrical pumping bills in the future."

"The district's 1951 power billing was \$13,088," the statement pointed out. "Under the contract just signed, the power cost will be only \$6,284 for the same amount of energy—a saving of 52 per cent, or \$6,804."

"Under an identical contract with the Bureau of Reclamation, the West Side Irrigation District near Tracy realized a monetary saving of 46.5 per cent, as compared with previous costs during an 11-month period in 1951-1952, by using Central Valley Project power."

The contract signed also provides for power delivery not only sufficient for current needs, but which can be increased to meet the district's needs. It is the first contract of its type for irrigation pumping in the Sacramento Valley.

Provident Irrigation District, organized in 1918, is located in Glenn and Colusa Counties. It comprises 14,000 acres, on which rice is the main crop. Its water supply is pumped directly from the Sacramento River.

Walsh and Raoul Re-elected Unopposed At IATSE Convention

Minneapolis (LPA)—Richard F. Walsh, president, and William P. Raoul, secretary-treasurer, were re-elected by acclamation at the 41st convention of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Moving Picture Machine Operators.

James J. Brennan, second vice-president, defeated Vincent Jacob, 943 to 176. Felix D. Snow, fourth vice-president, defeated Charles Hathaway, 925 to 179. Vice-presidents re-elected without opposition were Harland Holmden, Robert M. Kennedy, Carl G. Cooper, Harry J. Abbott, O. M. Jacobson and Louiso Wright. Hugh J. Sedgewick, secretary-treasurer of the Ontario Federation of Labor, was named vice-president to fill the vacancy caused by the death of William P. Covert.

The convention went on record as favoring decontrol of wages in all industries where no price controls are in effect.

State AFL Urges That Every Wage Earner Be Registered by Sept. 11

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

Thursday, September 11, is the last day to register for voting in the critical general election of November 4.

It is a matter of paramount importance that every wage earner in California should vote November 4, but thousands of the wage earner public will be denied that right unless they register between now and September 11.

The California State Federation of Labor strongly urges that each AFL union and council in the state appoint a Registration Committee charged with the obligation of obtaining 100 per cent registration for its membership.

Those who must register on or before September 11 are:

1. Persons who have changed their address since last registering.
2. Those who through marriage or court action have changed their name since last registering.
3. Those who have reached the age of 21 since the last election. A person not 21 may register before Sept. 11, providing he will be 21 on Nov. 4.
4. New residents who have resided but one year in the state or 90 days in the county prior to Nov. 4.
5. Persons who failed to vote in the 1950 general election.

The formation of the Registration Committees should be given top priority by every AFL union and council interested in preserving their economic gains.

Trusting that your organization will immediately launch a registration campaign, I am,

Faternally yours,

Secretary-Treasurer California State Federation of Labor.

C. J. HAGGERTY,

San Jose Freeway

Bids will soon be called for extension of the Eastshore Freeway south of Oakland, from Gish road to Warm Springs, at about \$3 million. Completion of this and the section now under way will eliminate one of the worst bottlenecks in the state and open the way for an express highway from Oakland to Santa Cruz via San Jose.

Highway work in California in 1952 will total \$113 million, estimates reveal.

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Labor News

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REMINGTON RAND JUST LOVES ARMY GENERALS; COULD IT BE THE PAYOFF?

General Douglas MacArthur has joined the parade of generals and admirals retiring from Uncle Sam's Service and taking highly paid jobs with private corporations. MacArthur announced he will become chairman of Remington Rand, Inc., at a reported salary of \$100,000 a year.

At Remington Rand, MacArthur will join another retired general, Leslie R. Groves, who is a vice-president of that huge corporation. Groves headed the secret atomic bomb project during World War II, but the atom scientists said afterwards that he was more of an obstacle than a help.

In past years, Remington Rand was one of the most bitter anti-union concerns in the country. Among other things, it originated the notorious "Mohawk Valley Formula," which made strike-breaking a "science," and was copied by other labor-baiting employers.

KEEPING 'FINGERS CROSSED'

More recently, Remington Rand found another way to get away from American union wages. It moved 23 of its plants to foreign countries, where wages are lower and U.S. taxes need not be paid. These foreign plants now supply world markets which formerly bought Remington Rand products made by American workers.

The 22 Remington Rand plants left in the United States were finally forced to allow their employees to organize in unions, but the latter are "keeping their fingers crossed." They say that, at heart, the management of this industrial giant is still as anti-union as ever.

Also, several labor chiefs raised the question whether the putting of professional military men in top Remington Rand posts foreshadows a return to the hard-boiled labor policies of the past.

SELLING 'INFLUENCE'?

From the standpoint of the general public, another important question is this: Why are so many big corporations hiring retired generals and admirals?

Obviously, they have no experience in business life. Yet they are given salaries approaching or equaling MacArthur's \$100,000 a year. Is that because these high military men have friends and "influence" in the government, particularly in the armed forces, which hand out multi-billion-dollar contracts to these same corporations?

That sort of "influence game" is a far bigger thing than the "five percent" stuff newspapers have been shouting about.

In addition to his annual \$100,000 from Remington Rand, MacArthur will continue to draw \$19,548 a year from Uncle Sam. His friends has-

tened to point out that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower got the same kind of a deal when he was president of Columbia University. It paid "Ike" \$25,000 a year, while he continued to receive his annual \$19,548 military "pay and allowances."

Eisenhower, however, gave up that government pay and resigned from the Army when he became an active candidate for the Presidency. —"Labor."

In Union Circles

Belle Booker, office secretary of Culinary - Bartenders Union 345, was in a Salinas hospital last week for an operation but was recovering with such speed that she was expected back on the job this week. Details of the operation were not reported for publication.

Mrs. Neva Gregory, former office secretary for Carpenters Union 1323 of Monterey, is enjoying her trip to Canada. She writes friends and former co-workers that the scenery is breath-taking and she is enjoying her tour.

Bettye Guild, office secretary for Teamsters Union 890 in its Monterey office, was due back on the job this week after a vacation trip into the Big Sur area where she and friends enjoyed camping. During her absence, Millie Atnip, from the union's Salinas office, "commuted" to the Monterey office daily.

5-Year Pact Signed

Kalamazoo, Mich. (LPA)—Local 682, AFL United Auto Workers, has signed a five-year contract with Checker Cab, including a provision for a guarantee of a minimum of \$14 to each employee for each unworked holiday.

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San Jose—In an attempt to spur the Red Cross Blood Bank drive, Musicians Local 153 of San Jose credited one quarter's dues (\$4.75) to any member who donated a pint of blood to the drive.

State AFL Asks Yes Vote on Prop. 13—End Cross-Filing

(State Fed. Release)

All AFL unions and councils in California were asked this week to lift the voice and strength of free labor to abolish the notorious cross-filing system which has fastened business lobby control on California politics.

In a message to every affiliate, C. J. Haggerty, executive officer of the California State Federation of Labor, recommended all possible help for state Proposition 13 which would eliminate the current cross-filing procedure and restore party responsibility.

Under the cross-filing system, candidates may run for office in primary elections on the tickets of any or all parties qualified for ballot placement. The party affiliation of the candidates is not indicated on the ballot. California is the only state in the Union which permits

such rash disregard of party identification and party platform.

The appeal for support of Proposition 13 called for cooperation with the Committee to Abolish Cross-Filing with headquarters at Room 403, Spring Arcade Building, Los Angeles.

Haggerty warned AFL bodies to ignore requests for aid submitted by any other anti-cross-filing committee.

Proposition 13 will be on the state ballot in the general election of November 4. It was endorsed by the state AFL at its 1951 convention.

California labor has waged a long educational war against the evils of the present system which has completely smashed any hope for mature party responsibility in state politics.

Labor Day Problems Are Same Today as in 1882

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Labor Day is as old as the AFL itself. On that first Labor Day back in 1882, the infant organization was less than one year old and had only 6 unions with a total of 45,000 members.

The AFL has come a long way since then with its 8 million members in 108 national and international unions. But on the legislative and political front, our problems are just about like they were back in 1882.

Now—as then—we are asking for legislation which will promote peaceful collective bargaining. Now as then—there are powerful employer groups who demand that the full power of federal court injunctions be used on the side of the employer to crush legitimate strikes.

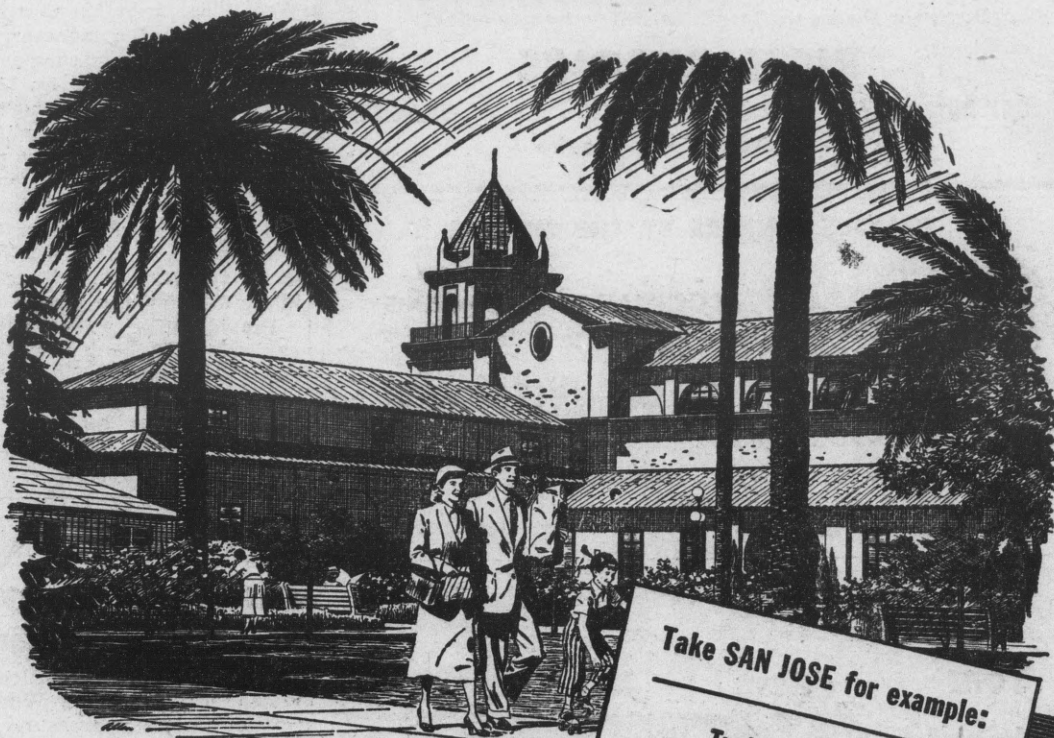
Then—as now—these employer groups raised the cry of labor monopoly in their effort to cut the

labor movement into isolated weak local unions by prohibiting them by law from helping one another.

What many of our people do not realize is that right now anti-labor lobbyists are soliciting large sums from businessmen to promote a law making it illegal for a union representative to help negotiate a contract for the employees of more than one firm.

This year on Labor Day, I would like humbly to suggest that every AFL member ask himself—am I registered? Have I given one dollar to Labor's League for Political Education? Do I know if my Congressman is friendly to labor?

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'V' IS FOR VICTORY—The Democratic party's nominees for President, Gov. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois (left), and for Vice-President, Sen. John Sparkman of Alabama, will campaign on the Democratic platform which has been approved by both AFL and CIO. The platform calls for outright repeal of Taft-Hartley, federal civil rights legislation, price and rent controls, and federal aid to education and health. (LPA)